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BOSTON UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLICITY
688 BOYLSTON STREET
BOSTON

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May 13, 1919.

Sir Robert Falconer, President,
Toronto University, Toronto.

Dear Sir:-

As chairman of the Department of Publicity I shall have frequent requests made of me to furnish to the press copies of the Commencement address which you are to deliver at Boston University on Tuesday, June 24. Will you kindly forward to me at this address either a complete copy of the address, from which we should make our own abstract or such an abstract as you would personally prefer to have us send to the press. Either method would be perfectly satisfactory to this office.

It is our custom, also, to publish in BOSTONIA, the official magazine published by the Trustees of the University, an extended abstract of the address. By this mail I send you, under separate cover, a copy of a recent Commencement issue of BOSTONIA. From that you will get an idea of the amount of space that this magazine usually gives to the abstract of the Commencement oration.

The papers also will be very insistent on running a photograph of the Commencement speaker. We should greatly appreciate it if you would favor us with one, or preferably three or four copies of your photograph. The newspapers are quite urgent in their requests for photographs of the Commencement speaker, and we should like to be in a position to respond.

Should you favor me with the abstract, or a copy of the complete oration, may I ask you to get it into my hands a few days in advance, that we may properly prepare it for the press. It goes without saying that nothing from it will appear in any paper before the delivery of the address. It will appear in the afternoon papers of Tuesday, June 24, and the morning papers of the following day.

Yours truly,

Joseph Richard Taylor.

Chairman, Department of Publicity.

JRT/R

May 15th, 1919

Mr. Joseph Richard Taylor,

Boston University,

688 Boylston Street,

Boston.

Dear Mr. Taylor:

I shall not be able to get to work on my commencement address until about the middle of June, as up till that time what with our own commencement and very urgent university business I shall have no spare moments. However, if I possibly can I will let you have an abstract a few days before I go to Boston.

I am also sending you one of my photographs as you request. If there is anything further I can do for you I shall be glad.

Yours sincerely,

President.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY
688 Boylston Street
Boston, Mass.

June 2, 1919.

Sir Robert Falconer, President,
University of Toronto,
Toronto, Canada.

Dear Sir:-

President Murlin has handed me your letter of May 26, in which you say you will endeavor to let me have an abstract of your Commencement oration. You express a hope to have the outline in my hands a few days before the Commencement.

It will suit us perfectly if you can get the abstract into my hands by Friday, June 20, or not later than Monday, June 23. The former date is greatly preferable. If, however, you cannot get it to us before June 23 we will endeavor to prepare it for the press as soon as received.

Yours truly,

Joseph Richard Taylor

Professor in Boston University.

JRT/R

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June 13, 1919.

Sir Robert A. Falconer, President,
Toronto University.

Dear Sir:-

We are this day sending to the printer copy for the Commencement Program. This office has not yet been informed of the title of your Commencement oration. Will you kindly send me at the earliest convenient moment the title as you wish it to appear on the program.

President Murlin has shown me a note of recent date from you, in which you kindly agreed to furnish this office in advance abstracts of the Commencement address. We have had numerous applications from the press and have assured them that we shall be able to give them in advance these abstracts, with the distinct understanding that nothing shall appear until the afternoon of Commencement Day,- Tuesday, June 24. If you can get the abstracts into my hands by Saturday, June 21, it will be a very great help in distributing to the press. At the latest we should need them by Monday, June 23, so that they might be in type before Tuesday.

Yours truly,

Joseph Richard Taylor

Chairman, Department of Publicity.

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June 17th, 1919

Professor Joseph Richard Taylor,

Boston University,

688 Boylston Street,

Boston.

Dear Sir:

I telegraphed you yesterday giving the title of my address : "The Individuality of the Canadian People".

I enclose herewith the abstract which you asked for.

Yours sincerely,

President.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY
688 Boylston Street
Boston, Mass.

June 19, 1919.

Sir Robert Falconer, President,
University of Toronto, Canada.

Dear Sir:-

Accept our thanks for your courtesy in mailing us the abstract of your address, "The Individuality of the Canadian People."

In reply to your inquiry regarding the advisability of bringing your academic costume I may say that the speaker, as well as all members of the faculty, wear their academic robes and their hoods. It would be as well, also, to bring your academic cap. The members of the faculty wear theirs in the procession up the aisle in Tremont Temple. I am not quite sure what the custom is in regard to the speaker. It would be well, however, to be on the safe side by bringing your cap.

Yours truly,

Joseph Richard Taylor

JRT/R